

**Amendments to the Claims:**

The following listing of claims will replace all prior versions, and listings, of claims in the application:

1-11. (Cancelled)

12. (Currently Amended) A voltage conversion device variably changing an input voltage to be applied to an inverter driving a motor, comprising:

a voltage converter executing voltage conversion between a power supply and said inverter; and

a control device controlling a switching duty of an upper arm and a lower arm included in said voltage converter so that ~~said switching duty is a duty from which an influence of a dead time of said voltage converter is removed, when a voltage command value of said voltage conversion is at least a power supply voltage and at most a predetermined voltage.~~

13. (Original) The voltage conversion device according to claim 12, wherein  
said control device controls said voltage converter by fixing said switching duty when said voltage command value is at least said power supply voltage and at most said predetermined voltage.

14. (Currently Amended) The voltage conversion device according to claim 12,  
wherein

said predetermined voltage is ~~determined~~ based on the dead time of said voltage converter.

15. (Currently Amended) The voltage conversion device according to claim 12,  
wherein

~~in a case where~~ when said control device controls said voltage converter to decrease an output voltage of said voltage converter, said control device fixes said switching

duty when said voltage command value reaches a value of at least said power supply voltage and at most said predetermined voltage.

16. (Currently Amended) The voltage conversion device according to claim 12, wherein

said voltage converter variably linearly changes said input voltage in a linear manner.

17. (Currently Amended) A voltage conversion device variably changing an input voltage to be applied to an inverter driving a motor, comprising:

a voltage converter including an upper arm turned on for a first on-duty and a lower arm turned on for a second on-duty determined by subtracting said first on-duty from 1, and executing voltage conversion between a power supply and said inverter by switching said upper arm and said lower arm; and

a control device controlling, said first on-duty to remove an influence of a dead time when in a case where said first on-duty calculated based on a voltage command value of the voltage conversion by said voltage converter is influenced by a said dead time of said upper arm and said lower arm, said first on-duty so that said first on-duty is an appropriate on-duty with influence of said dead time removed therefrom.wherein

said control device controls switching of said upper arm and said lower arm by fixing said first on-duty at said appropriate on-duty, when said first on-duty calculated based on said voltage command value is larger than a maximum effective on-duty and smaller than a longest on-duty allowing said upper arm to be turned on continuously during a control period, and

said maximum effective on-duty is determined by dividing an effective control period, calculated by subtracting said dead time from said control period, by said control period.

18. (Currently Amended) The voltage conversion device according to claim 17, wherein

~~said control device controls, in the case where controls switching of said upper arm and said lower arm by fixing said first on-duty when said first on-duty calculated based on said voltage command value is influenced by said dead time, switching of said upper arm and said lower arm by fixing said first on-duty at said appropriate on-duty time.~~

19. (Canceled)

20. (Currently Amended) The voltage conversion device according to ~~claim 19, claim 17~~, wherein

    said appropriate on-duty is said maximum effective on-duty or said longest on-duty.

21. (Currently Amended) The voltage conversion device according to claim 17, wherein

    said voltage converter ~~variably linearly changes said input voltage in a linear manner~~.

22. (Currently Amended) A computer-readable recording medium having a program recorded thereon for a computer to control voltage conversion by a voltage conversion device,

    said voltage conversion device including a voltage converter having an upper arm turned on for a first on-duty and a lower arm turned on for a second on-duty determined by subtracting said first on-duty from 1, and executing voltage conversion between a power supply and an inverter by switching said upper arm and said lower arm, and

    said program allowing said computer to execute:

a first step of calculating said first on-duty based on a voltage command value of said voltage conversion;

a second step of determining whether ~~or not~~ said calculated first on-duty is influenced by a dead time of said upper arm and said lower arm; ~~and~~

a first sub-step of calculating a maximum effective on-duty by using said dead time;

a second sub-step of determining if said calculated first on-duty is larger than said maximum effective on-duty and smaller than a longest on-duty and allowing said upper arm to be turned on continuously during a control period based on said determination;

a third sub-step of determining if said first on-duty is influenced by said dead time, when said first on-duty is larger than said maximum effective on-duty and smaller than said longest on-duty, and

a fourth sub-step of determining if said first on-duty is not influenced by said dead time, when said first on-duty is at most said maximum effective on-duty or equal to said longest on-duty, and

said maximum effective on-duty is determined by dividing an effective control period, calculated by subtracting said dead time from said control period, by said control period, and

a third step of controlling said first on-duty to be an appropriate on-duty when it is determined that said first on-duty is influenced by said dead time, said first on-duty so that said first on-duty is an appropriate on-duty time.

23. (Original) The computer-readable recording medium according to claim 22, wherein

in said third step, switching of said upper arm and said lower arm is controlled by fixing said first on-duty at said appropriate on-duty.

24. (Canceled)

25. (Currently Amended) The computer-readable recording medium according to ~~claim 24, claim 22~~, wherein

in said third step, switching of said upper arm and said lower arm is controlled by fixing said first on-duty at said maximum effective on-duty or said longest on-duty.

26. (Original) The voltage conversion device according to claim 13, wherein said predetermined voltage is determined based on the dead time of said voltage converter.

27. (Original) The voltage conversion device according to claim 13, wherein in a case where said control device controls said voltage converter to decrease an output voltage of said voltage converter, said control device fixes said switching duty when said voltage command value reaches a value of at least said power supply voltage and at most said predetermined voltage.

28. (Currently Amended) The voltage conversion device according to claim 13, wherein

said voltage converter ~~variably linearly changes said input voltage in a linear manner. voltage.~~

29. (Canceled)

30. (Currently Amended) The voltage conversion device according to claim 18, wherein

said voltage converter ~~variably linearly changes said input voltage in a linear manner. voltage.~~

31. (Canceled)